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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)
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Sophia W. Kao) Art Unit: 2163
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Application No. 10/789,791) Examiner: Rose, Helene Roberta
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Filed: 02/27/2004) Atty. Docket No.
) RMIIP015/RZMI-P0321-US
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)
ACTION GROUP GENERATION) Date: 10/09/2008
AND ARBITRATION IN A)
CLASSIFICATION ENGINE)
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents
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Examiner:

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed 03/17/2008, please enter the following:

REMARKS

In the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, the Examiner has stated the following: "prior art does not teach: an action group system that uses the combination SRAM and TCAM searchable memory block system that provides action indication search results in response to a search key and wherein TCAM and SRAM contain a plurality of entries configured to provide a search result in response to a search key" (emphasis added).

In response, applicant points out that at least one of the independent claims (e.g. Claim 14, now renumbered by the Examiner as Claim 5) is not specifically limited to at least some of the emphasized features that the Examiner has highlighted above.

Just by way of example, at least one of applicant's independent claims does not specifically state "provid[ing] action indication search results in response to a search key" or "provid[ing] a search result in response to a search key" (emphasis added), as the Examiner notes.

Clearly, at least one of the independent claims is not limited to the features that the Examiner has noted above in the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, as emphasized above (by way of example). Instead, each of the claims should only be limited by the language existing therein.

In the event a telephone conversation would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may reach the undersigned at (408) 505-5100. The

Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to
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Respectfully submitted,
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